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ARRA & HIT In Colorado

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How Do ARRA HITECH Programs Impact Coloradans?

- Improve Care
 - Reduce errors
 - Increased efficiencies
 - Improve quality
- Address ALL aspects of HIT integration
 - Provider technical assistance (REC)
 - Build interoperability (State HIE)
 - Train professionals (Workforce/education)
 - Incentives for "meaningfully using HIT" (Medicaid/ Medicare over 5 years)



CORHIO Mission

Facilitate Health Information Exchange to improve the health of all Coloradans



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ARRA HIT PROVISIONS

Appropriations for Health IT

\$2 billion for loans, grants & technical assistance for:

- National Resource Center and Regional Extension Centers UPDATE (Awarded \$12.7m)
- Workforce Training UPDATE
- Research and Demonstrations UPDATE (BEACON Grants)

Appropriations for HIE

At least \$300 million of the total at HHS Secretary's discretion for HIE development

 Funneled largely through States or qualified State-designated entities UPDATE (Awarded \$9.1m)

New Incentives for Adoption

New Medicare and Medicaid payment incentives for HIT adoption

- \$20 billion in expected payments through Medicare to hospitals & physicians
- \$14 billion in expected payments through Medicaid UPDATE (HCPF awarded 90/10 federal match to support planning process for disseminating incentive payments)
- ~\$34 billion expected outlays, 2011-2016



CORHIO's ARRA Role: Designated State Level Entity

- Convene "Super-Regional Extension Center"
 - "Shovel Ready" support for providers
- Educate Higher Ed
 - New workforce opportunities
- Partner Alert to funding opportunities
- Assist Medicaid & OIT
- Support community partners



CO Regional Extension Center

| Service Providers | CCGC CCHNClinicNet CFMCCRHC/CHA PHPQHN |
|----------------------|---|
| Services | Workflow Redesign Vendor Selection Onsite Implementation Privacy/Security Best Practices Interoperability/HIE |
| Served | Sm Gp Practices (<11) Critical Access Hosp. Clinics Health Ctrs Rural Health Clinics School based Hlth Ctrs? |
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CO Regional Extension Center

- \$12.7 million
- Direct to participants in 3 equal payments
 - Sign contract
 - Provider HIT implementation
 - Provider Meaningful Use certification
- Statewide effort
- Estimated 48 jobs created
- 2 year cooperative agreement



BEACON Grants

Nationally

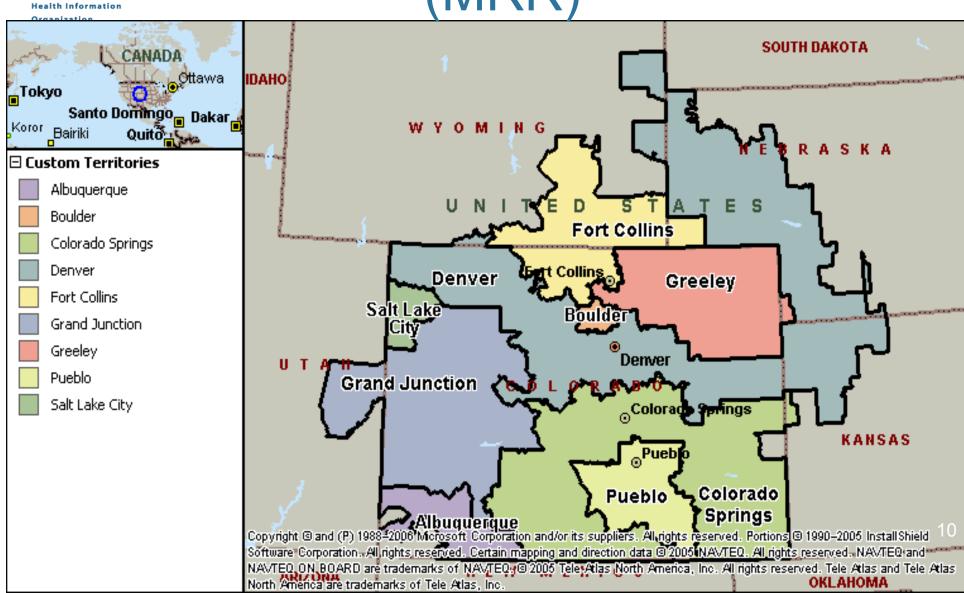
- \$220 million
- 15 awards anticipated
- Take Leaders "to the next level"
- March 2010 announcements, 3-yr projects

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- 2 Applications
 - Western Slope
 - Northern Colorado

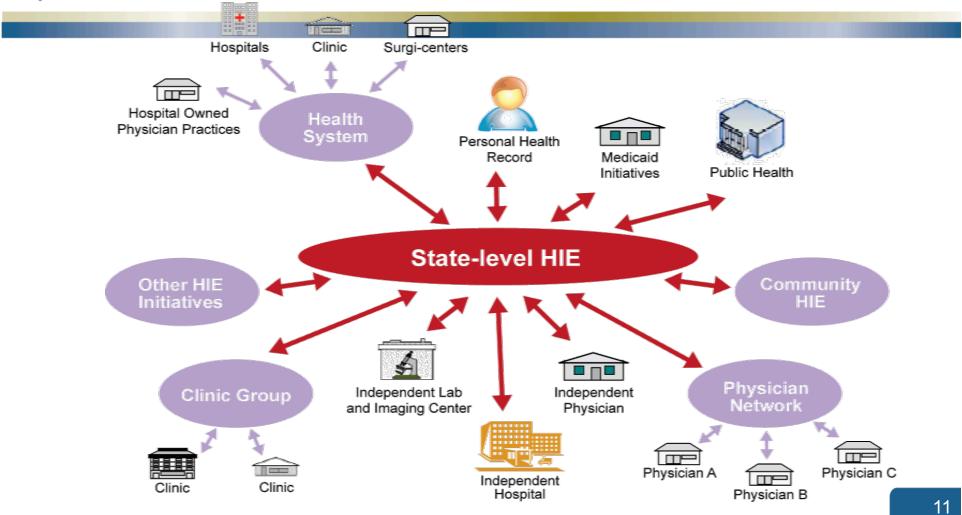


CO Medical Referral Regions (MRR)





Statewide HIE





Statewide HIE

Nationally

- \$564 million (pop & provider based allocation)
- 1 per state/territory
- Planning/Implementing statewide HIE

Colorado

- \$9.1 million awarded
- Community-based approach/Statewide Effort
- Estimated 26 jobs created
- 2 year cooperative agreement



Provider Incentives for Adoption

Nationally

- Estimated \$34 billion
- "Meaningful Use of EHR"
- Comments due 3-15-2010
- Medicare payments begin 2011, end 2015

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- Estimated \$????
- Distributed <u>directly</u> to health care providers meeting standards
- Medicaid payments can begin 2011, end 2021



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